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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jiang et al. : Group Art Unit: 1742
Application No. 09/682,630 : Examiner: A. Wessman
Filed: October 1, 2001 : Response to Paper No. 8
For: Rhodium, Platinum, Palladium Alloy

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated 05/24/2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Abstract

An alloy and a gas turbine engine component comprising an alloy are presented, with the alloy comprising:

palladium, in an amount ranging from about 1 atomic percent to about 41 atomic percent;

platinum, in an amount that is dependent upon the amount of palladium, such that

- a. for the amount of palladium ranging from about 1 atomic percent to about 14 atomic percent, the platinum is present up to about an amount defined by the formula $(40 + X)$ atomic percent, wherein X is the amount in atomic percent of the palladium, and
- b. for the amount of palladium ranging from about 15 atomic percent up to about 41 atomic percent, the platinum is present in an amount up to about 54 atomic percent; and

the balance comprising rhodium, wherein the rhodium is present in an amount of at least 24 atomic percent;

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